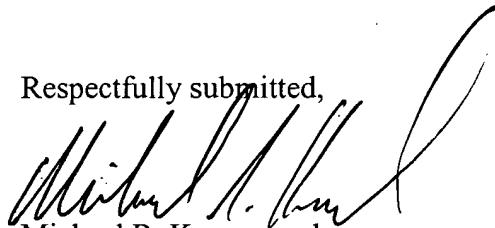


Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of two months to and including October 3, 2006, in which to respond to the Office Action dated May 3, 2006. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$225.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee for a two-month extension of time for a small entity status. If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit the appropriate fees from or to Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/GENS:008US.

Should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or suggestions relating to this case, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned Applicants' representative at (512) 536-3020.

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